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3 December 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Technical Services & Support Group, NPIC

ATTENTION : [] PPS/TSSG

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A. Significant Items of Interest for November 1969

1. [] Fiber-Optics Viewer - A study contract was awarded [] to determine the feasibility of providing a Fiber-Optics Viewer with a measuring accuracy of 2.5 micrometers plus 0.005% of the distance traveled. 25X1A
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2. Advanced Stereo Rhomboids, Model II - A briefing was presented to IEG on the status of the [] contract to develop prototype advanced stereo rhomboids. The briefing stressed the scheduling problems involved in attempting to provide operational instruments by 1 January 1971. 25X1A
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3. [] Stereo Comparator Program - Three people [] visited [] on 13 and 14 November 1969 to investigate [] latest request for a delay in acceptance tests on the correlation. [] feels that the two companies have reached a common understanding and [] will have the correlator ready for acceptance tests in January 1970. 25X1A
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[] Project Manager will visit [] the week of 8 December to see if [] a delay in the optical schedule [] still tentatively plans to start the optical acceptance tests [] on 12 January 1970. 25X1A
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4. Recon Photo Reproducing Material - On 12 November 1969, representatives [] presented their new approach to a proposed program for the development of a positive-to-positive recon photo 25X1A

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reproducing material. It is expected that a formal, multiple-phased proposal will be received by the Center in the near future.

5. High Speed Dry Silver Processors - The Special Projects Processing Facility (SPPF), Westover, Mass., received two High Speed, Dry Silver Processors on 3 November 1969 and has completed acceptance tests on the delivered items. Indications are that the processors performed acceptably and that the formal acceptance papers will be signed in the near future.

An extensive testing program lasting from 6 to 12 months has been scheduled for these processors. SPPF has agreed to provide copies of this data to NPIC at key points during the testing program. This information will be used to establish specifications for the performance of future compacted roll and paper processors.

6. Automatic Stereo Scanner - On 26 November [redacted] was briefed on the current status of this project. He approved solicitation of a proposal [redacted] for completion of the project. Furthermore, he directed RED to establish additional coordination with IEG for the purpose of subsequently briefing him on the current operational requirement for this system.

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7. Image Comparison Microstereoscope - On 18 November, after a delay of more than a month, expenditures for September and October were finally obtained. They appeared to the Project Officer to be in excess [redacted] thus, threatening an additional overrun. Subsequently, the [redacted] Administrator has stated that the cost figures appear to be correct; however, he categorically stated "there will be no further overrun." A meeting at NPIC has been scheduled for 4 December, in which [redacted] will present a detailed cost and progress analysis to the Contracting Officer and the Project Officer.

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8. Color Vision Tests - Revised color vision test will be implemented in the Center in response to a request by IEG. The personnel to be tested will be selected by the Human Factors Section of RED on the basis of their scores from previous vision tests.

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9. [redacted] Evaluation - RED personnel have proceeded with the evaluation of the [redacted]. The planning document, requiring human factors consideration for color imagery exploitation, has been initiated.

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10. Real Time Committee [redacted] SRB/RED, and [redacted] RSB/RED has been assigned to a Real Time Evaluation Committee.

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12. Imagery Interpretation Program [redacted] has been authorized to proceed to Phase II of FY-69 Imagery Interpretation Research Program as of 24 November 1969.

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14. Chip Implementation - On 4, 5 and 6 November 1969 [redacted] representatives were [redacted] to discuss Contract [redacted] Chip Implementation Investigation.

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15. Dual Data Block Reader - On 10 November 1969, the [redacted] proposal was submitted for the Dual Data Block Reader for the 9.

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16. Stereo Comparator - On 12 November 1969, the [redacted] proposal was submitted for the 10" x 10" Stereo Comparator for IEG/PD.

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17. Capabilities Briefing - On 21 November [redacted] gave a presentation on Capabilities.

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18. Free Radicals [redacted] Exploratory Laboratory, and [redacted] SDB met representatives [redacted] to discuss their proposal on direct positive systems utilizing Free Radicals. The proposed work effort was reviewed and suggestions for significant, milestone, decision points were discussed.

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19. Visit [redacted] and discussed the progress of the 70mm RS printer processor being constructed for the Air Force [redacted]. This system has been checked out in the mock-up stage, and all indications are that it will be successfully operating early in 1970.

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20. [redacted] completed an analysis of the materials currently used and proposed for the [redacted] Headliner Machine. A final report was distributed.

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21. [redacted] Mensuration Study - The draft final report of the Mensuration Study has been received and is being reviewed. It is expected that approval of this draft report will be given early in December. A summary presentation of the work under this contract was presented at the CCB meeting [redacted]

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22. Defocussed Imagery - A final memorandum report on Defocussed Imagery for IAS was prepared and distributed.

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23. [redacted] Image Analysis Support - The first [redacted] Image Analysis Support proposal was received and rejected. An acceptable proposal has been received and is being evaluated. A fabrication of the fixtures for the analog program are approximately 80% completed; it is anticipated that the optical benches will be completely set up in late December.

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24. Offutt PI School [redacted] attended the COMREX PI course at Offutt AFB.

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Attachment:

- 1. NPIC/TSSG/RED, [redacted]

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